

1	2	3	4	5	6
6.	Kathua	1	16	4	108
7.	Kupwara	-	6	-	66
8.	Kargil	-	6	-	45
9.	Leh	1	4	-	47
10.	Pulwama	-	8	-	64
11.	Rajouri	1	11	4	106
12.	Poonch	-	4	1	52
13.	Srinagar	1	48	4	65
14.	Udhampur	1	22	2	146
Total		9	240	31	1328

Total number of post offices in J & K : 1608

New Railway Projects

4121. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH BHATI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Rajasthan has sent some proposals to the Union Government for construction of new railway projects and expansion/extension of the existing ones in the state;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No proposals have been received from Rajasthan Government in this Ministry so far.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Tourism Potential in Tribal Areas of Orissa

4122. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are aware of the tourism potentials in the tribal areas of Orissa;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government propose to tap the untapped potential of tourism in these areas;

(c) if so, the schemes drawn up thereon for the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(d) the proposals received from the State Government of Orissa in this regard; and

(e) the details of the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government for the development of tourism in Orissa during the Ninth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) : (a) to (e) Identification of tourism potential areas including tribal areas is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory administrations.

However, during the last three years, the Department of Tourism in consultation with the Government of Orissa extended Rs. 376.69 lakhs as central financial assistance to specific tourism projects identified by them.

The schemes for the development of tourism in Orissa during the Ninth Five Year Plan is not finalised.

[Translation]

Development of Tourism in Bihar

4123. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV :

SHRI R.L.P. VERMA :

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Bihar has sent proposals pertaining to tourism development to the Union Government during each of the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the projects approved/pending with Union Government alongwith the financial assistance provided for each of the project;

(d) the delay for according approval to the pending projects;

(e) the number of Heritage Hotels of ITDC and Bihar Tourism Development (BTDC) in the State;

(f) whether the Union Government are aware about the beautiful tourist places of Saharasa, Supaul and Madhepura districts of Bihar; and

(g) if so, the steps being taken by the Union Government for the development of tourism at these places?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) : (a) to (d) Department of Touris, Government of India has sanctioned 14 projects amounting to Rs. 282.55 lakhs during the last three years for Government of Bihar.